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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: AGENT FOR PREVENTING, IMPROVING OR TREATING HYPERTENSION

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1651

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: EXAMINER: COE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Official Action dated January 18, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-5. In addition, Applicants elect, with traverse, species A: chlorogenic acid; species B: organic acids having a molecular weight of 60 to 300. Claims 1-6 read on the elected species.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-5, drawn to a pharmaceutical composition; and

Group II: Claim 6, drawn to a method of treating hypertension.

In addition, the Office is requiring an election of a single disclosed species for each group as follows:

- A) a compound selected from caffeic acid, chlorogenic acid, or ferulic acid; and
- B) a component selected from those listed for component B in claims 1-3 and 6.

Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II, Claim 6. In addition, Applicants elect, with traverse, species A: chlorogenic acid; species B: organic acids having a molecular weight of 60 to 300. Claims 1-6 read on the elected species.

